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SUBJECT:COUNTRY COMMERCIAL PROGRAM - SECOND QUARTER REVIEW

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1. WASHINGTON COMMERCIAL ACTION GROUP FOR ISRAEL (WCAG)
MET MAY 4 AND NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE SUBSTANTIAL
COMPLIANCE WITH SECOND QUARTER FY 1977 ACTIVITIES REPORTED
REFTEL.

2. WCAG WAS PLEASED TO LEARN OF THE SUCCESSFUL RECRUITING
EFFORTS FOR "TECHNOLOGY '77" AND WISHES TO COMMEND ALL IN
THE EMBASSY WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE ARDUOUS PREPARA-
TIONS FOR THIS IMPORTANT TRADE EVENT. WCAG IS ALSO GRATI-
FIED BY THE SUCCESS OF THE FIRST "MINI" SHOWS IN THE USIS
AUDITORIUM AND BY EMBASSY PLANS FOR A LARGER, MULTI-COMPANY
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SHOW THIS SUMMER.

3. AMONG OTHER SUBJECTS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING WERE
RECENT AND FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF THE U.S.-ISRAEL JOINT
COMMITTEE AND THE BINATIONAL INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH AND INDUS-
TRIAL FOUNDATION. WCAG SUGGESTS THAT RELEVANT ACTIVITIES
OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS BE CONSIDERED IN CCP PLANNING.

4. IN A DISCUSSION ON THE COMMODITY IMPORT PROGRAM THE GROUP LEARNED THAT, ACCORDING TO ISRAELI OFFICIALS, THE UTILIZATION RATE OF CIP FUNDS HAS FALLEN SHORT OF THAT WHICH HAD BEEN PROJECTED. THE REASONS THEY CITED RELATE TO DOCUMENTATION PROBLEMS: RELUTANCE OF SOME AMERICAN SUPPLIERS TO SUPPLY PROPER DOCUMENTATION, THE GREAT NUMBER OF ISRAELI BANKING FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE DOCUMENTATION PROCEDURE, AND GOI'S DIFFICULTY IN COLLECTING ENOUGH DOCUMENTATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT PURPOSES. WCAG PARTICIPANTS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN LEARNING HOW ISRAELI IMPORTERS CAN BE ENCOURAGED TO INCREASE THEIR UTILIZATION OF CIP FUNDS. WCAG WOULD ALSO BE INTERESTED IN EMBASSY'S ANALYSIS OF THE RELATION BETWEEN UTILIZATION LEVEL OF CIP FUNDS AND THE OVERALL LEVEL OF ISRAELI IMPORTS FROM THE U.S. CHRISTOPHER

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